

HIS SERMON WILL DEFEND WEDDING WITH DIVORCEE

Rev. Dr. Lawrence, Whose
Flock Halted Marriage,
Adopts Novel Plan.

TRUSTEES HAVE QUERY

Want to Know if Preacher's
Courtship Began Before
the Decree.

The Rev. Dr. William H. Lawrence, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church at Richmond Hill, L. I., today sent word to the members of his congregation that on Wednesday evening he will return and preach a sermon at the 10 o'clock service on the subject, "Can a Minister Marry a Divorcee?" with particular reference to his own proposed marriage of Mrs. Frances May Gurney Edwards.

For a week the little congregation has been stirred by Dr. Lawrence's threatened wedding. The board of trustees met and entered a vigorous protest, and when some of those who favored the pastor's step gathered in the John Street M. E. Church, Manhattan, yesterday afternoon, to be present at the ceremony, they were greatly surprised when a telegram arrived from Dr. Lawrence, which read: "Mrs. Edwards very sick. Wedding postponed."

Will Wed Her, Anyway.

When the disappointed ones returned to Richmond Hill they found a letter which the pastor had sent to Mrs. Edwards T. Hoose, of No. 54 Waterbury avenue, in whose cottage he had rooms. "I will be present on Wednesday evening, when I will make whatever explanation is required," wrote the pastor.

"The wedding will take place, all right," said Mrs. Hoose today. "I do not think Mrs. Edwards is ill. The wedding was postponed because some persons in the church object to the pastor marrying a divorced woman. They knew all about several months ago and should have objected then."

"It is a shame that wedding did not take place," said Mrs. Sarah Haskins, a member of the Ladies Aid Society. "If I were Dr. Lawrence I would ignore the objectors and get married. None of the women in the church objects. The men are causing all the trouble."

Dr. Lawrence is sixty-nine years old, and Mrs. Edwards is forty. They both come from Port Jefferson, L. I. Last April Mrs. Edwards was divorced from her husband, whom she accused of adultery.

When the engagement was first announced, the women of the church became alarmed, but they concluded that Mrs. Edwards would make a fitting helpmate for the pastor, who has been a widower five years. The men balked, but the storm of protest did not break out until the meeting of the board of trustees last week.

Dr. Lawrence's church is at Orchard and Lincoln avenues, Richmond Hill. All summer the congregation has been using an immense tent while its new church is being built.

No Secret Marriage.

Members of Dr. Lawrence's church discredited a rumor that he and Mrs. Edwards were secretly married soon after her divorce decree was made final. Last night there was a prayer meeting in the tent opposite the church at Orchard and Lincoln avenues, which was attended by nearly all the officers of the church. While nobody mentioned

the name of the pastor or referred to the fact that he was about to be married to a divorcee everybody prayed to God to "so direct and guide our pastor and his wedding, which had been so suddenly postponed. Finally George Hoose, one of the leading members of the church, stepped forward and had this to say:

"So far as Mrs. Edwards is concerned, there is no opposition to her in the church. Of course she is not a member of our congregation but we know her to be a highly cultured and religious woman. She is connected with the church in Northport, L. I., and was about to become the deaconess there. It is true that there was a divorce proceeding, but she being the innocent party has not only the legal but the moral right to marry our pastor."

KNOCKED OUT BY MASKED FOOTPADS

Man Found Senseless in Williamsburg Gutter Says Pair
Attacked Him.

Policeman Cummings, of the Bedford avenue station, Williamsburg, found a battered, senseless man in the gutter at Wythe avenue and North Tenth street early today. When revived by an ambulance surgeon, the man said he was Charles Bass, and had been waylaid at midnight, going home to No. 26 North Eleventh street. Two masked men had jumped on him, and when he struggled to protect himself one had broken his nose with the butt of a revolver. Then the two had kicked him into a state of unconsciousness. Two of his ribs were fractured and his nose broken. His gold watch and chain had been stolen, but his money, \$3, was intact. He was taken to the hospital. The only description he could offer of his assailants was that they were short, dark and masked.

PISTOL DUEL BY BARBERS.

Both in Hospital After Quarrel
That Started at a Pool Table.

Frank Burbano, a patient in St. George's Hospital, says he was shot by James Lafrank, of No. 9 Second avenue, after a quarrel over a game of having been wounded in the left leg. Lafrank is also in the hospital, up in the street by policemen after the both men are barbers and were locked away in No. 11 Bowery at 2 A. M. today.

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Our most modern methods assure superior work at small cost.

Nottingham Lace Curtains cleaned, per pair... 50c
Finer Lace Curtains cleaned, per pair... 75c
Blankets cleaned and made fluffy like new, per pair 75c
Phone or write and our wagon will call for the goods.
Main Floor, Rotunda

A Column of Typical Bloomingtondale Coupons

Coupon—Men's \$1.25 "Root's Tivoli" Underwear, at 79c

Natural wool shirts and drawers; all sizes every garment stamped Root's Tivoli, which, as you know, means the highest quality. Buy now and save money. A little later prices will advance very much. Not more than 3 suits to a customer. W
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon—Children's 29c Sleeping Garments at 19c

Snug fitting garments that will keep the youngsters warm on cool nights. They are made of fine cotton, natural, gray and white, every size.
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon—German Silver Mesh Bags at \$1.98

Have very pretty embroidered reusable frames, 5 1/2 inches wide and 6 inches long. Lined with kid.
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon—\$3 Taffeta Umbrellas at \$1.65

They are made of Newport English tape edge, in 20 and 28 inch sizes. They are guaranteed for two years. There are many pretty handles to select from. Regularly we sell this umbrella for \$3, but in our store you can get them for less than \$3.50. W
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon Back Combs

Very pretty carved and cut-out shell back comb in many pretty styles at the remarkably little price of 10c
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon—\$7.50 Travelling Bags \$3.66

English Travelling Bags. Oxford shape, like illustration; made of cowhide; stoutly stitched and welted; have leather covered frame
from 14 to 18 inches; at special coupon price \$3.66
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon—Men's \$8 Watches at \$3.88

This model open face watch, in 14 size; gun metal or gold-plated cases. They are warranted for 5 years. With 7-jewel movements, and they are guaranteed to keep perfect time. Our very low coupon price includes your money returned in ribbon letters on the case. W
Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Coupon: Gold Spring Eyeglasses at 50c

Have gold spring, pure white six crystal periscope lenses; no guard and cord. They are in the much desired skeleton design.
Main Floor, Front Centre.

ALL CARS TRANSFER TO Bloomingtondale's

LEXINGTON TO 3RD AVE. 59TH TO 60TH ST.

Greatest of Parlor Suit Bargains!!

Prices Start at \$11.98 for a Good 3-Piece Suit, and \$18.98 for a Good 5-Piece Suit.

The maker of the parlor suits comprised in this sale stands foremost in the trade. He was obliged to meet notes and the only way he could do it was by disposing of his stock for immediate cash. He made us a proposition we couldn't resist. Result:

67 Splendid Parlor Suits Are Yours at Startling Reductions

We have space to illustrate only three; the others are equally attractive.

This \$55.00 Parlor Suit, \$36.00



This 5-Piece Suit, highly finished mahogany frames, with heavily carved tops; all have upholstered backs, arms on every piece, full spring edge seats; choice of damask, tapestry or verona covering.

This \$80.00 Parlor Suit, \$55.00



Five massive pieces, with elaborate deep cut carving across entire top of backs. All backs upholstered, arms on every piece. Good upholstery, full spring edge seats; covered with damask, tapestry or verona.

This \$70.00 Parlor Suit for \$49.00



Five large pieces, including a patent rocker. The tops of the frames are entirely covered with deep, elaborate carving (not composition). Backs are tufted. Seats are made with full spring edge; other indestructible spring work. Covered with high-grade green verona. Fourth Floor.

Clearance Sale of Washable Petticoats



Striped and Plain Gingham and Chambrays, in a great variety of styles; most desirable petticoats of the summer. They are finely finished and cut full and generously. Don't fail to get at least one of these bargains.

Petticoats that were 69c, now 48c
Petticoats that were 79c, now 55c
Petticoats that were 89c, now 69c
Petticoats that were 98c, now 79c
Second Floor, 59th St. Section.

Boys' & Youths' 75c. Flannel Pajamas, 59c

Made of nice, soft, fleecy quality domest flannel; cut full; well made. Have military collars. Big assortment of pretty designs to select from. Sizes 4 to 16.

Boys' School Shirts, woven Madras, in blue stripes. Have attached cuffs. Sizes 12 to 14; all cut very full; 75c. values at 48c
Boys' Collars, Just the styles the boys like—turn down, close or look front—various heights; worth 2 for 25c; special 6 for 45c
Main Floor, 60th St. Section.

Liquors and Wines

Imported Cereals and Rhines & Under Price.
Berkshire's Blend of... \$3.85
Fronce or St. Estienne... \$3.85
Claret, extra fine, genuine... \$3.85
Rhine, extra fine, genuine... \$3.85
Maryland Rye Whiskey—No... \$2.20
spirit, but pure, straight... \$2.20
Eastern Rye, full... \$2.20
saloon... \$2.20
Pure, straight... \$2.20
Full... \$2.20
Prost Rye Whiskey—Pure... \$2.20
straight... \$2.20
Very special; full... \$2.20
Genuine Imported Sauternes... \$1.95
Genuine Imported Burgundy... \$1.95
Half price; dozen... \$5.75

Sale of Framed Oil Pictures at Very Low Prices

A special offering of entirely new pictures in frames of the newest designs. Those who are contemplating buying pictures for fixing up the house for Fall and Winter cannot afford to ignore the substantial economies this sale affords.

\$5 Oil Pictures, many pretty subjects, in shadow box frames; per pair \$2.75
\$3.75 Oil Pictures, gems of subjects, beautifully executed; in carton picture frames; gold burnished, with shadow boxes and glass \$1.58
Main Floor.

Let Blankets, wool finish white, gray and blue, with pink or blue border; \$2.25 value, at \$1.39

Plisse Skirts---the Latest Popular Paris Fad

The Bloomingdale Dress Goods Section had just 100 Skirts Made Up to demonstrate how fetching and unique this new material really is. The garments are To Be Sold at \$7.50

The skirts are all ready to wear, with the exception of hemming at the bottom and running the seam up the back. A beautiful and novel effect. The solid black stripe alternating with the check makes the plisse decidedly unique and attractive.

If your size isn't among the hundred we have made up we will make it for you at the same price.



Main Floor, 59th St. Section.

Lace Bed Sets

Another Big Purchase and Sale

The maker sold us his entire stock at less than the goods cost him to make and we are going to sell them to you at the same immense saving we made. So you may buy beautiful

Lace Bed Sets worth up to \$4.50 at \$2.98
Lace Bed Sets worth up to \$8.00 at \$4.50
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Lace Bed Sets worth up to \$15.00 at \$8.50
Lace Bed Sets worth up to \$18.00 at \$10.00

300 Pairs Irish Point Lace Curtains that are rare beauties will be about half price or \$4.50 and \$6.00
Third Floor, 59th St. Section.

Hosiery Bargains

MEN'S 12 1/2c. HALF HOSE... 4c
WOMEN'S 15c. STOCKING... 5c
CHILDREN'S 15c. RIBBED COTTON... 8c
WOMEN'S 25c. GAUZE Lisle STOCKING... 12c
MEN'S 35c. IMPORTED GAUZE Lisle... 19c
WOMEN'S 50c. IMPORTED GAUZE... 25c

Barrettes

Mary Garden and Geraldine Farrar

Bandeaux and Combs in shell and amber colors at 48c, 68c & 89c
Others up to \$4.95
Main Floor.

Unbleached Mullin, yard wide; no more than 10 yards to a customer (no mail orders), at 3 1/2c

Embroidered Mullin, yard wide; no more than 10 yards to a customer (no mail orders), at 6 3/4c

As to Free Transfers—Our Plan

When you get off an east or west bound 5th Street car at Lexington avenue, our uniformed agent at the southwest corner will hand you a transfer ticket that will be redeemed at the store of Bloomingtondale Bros. for five (5) cents with a purchase of merchandise amounting from \$1.00 to \$3.00 and at ten (10) cents if the purchase amounts to more than \$3.00. Good for cash, C. O. D. or charge purchases on the date of issue only. Hand it to the salespersons instead of cash.

A Column of Bloomingtondale Friday Bargain Magnets

Table Damask, mercerized, 60 inch wide, \$1.00 remnants of 2 yards at 69c

Dunne Napkins (small, described German hemmed, 13x19 inch; \$1.25 value) at 14c for 100... 89c

Turkish Towels—heavy quality; hemmed and fringed; slightly imperfect, worth up to 15c at 7 1/2c

Linen Kitchen Towels, 17 inch wide; border; 10c value; 10 yards or 15c

Safety Razors, complete with 7 open blades; 10c guaranteed; season-end price 29c

How Ground Razors, best makes; season-end price 39c

Magnifying Glasses, double lenses, regular \$1.69; season-end price 75c

"Grand others" Cocks, imported, excellent time pieces; regularly \$2.95; season-end price 1.95

Spachtel, carls and hams, hemstitched and scalloped; pretty designs; worth up to 50c at 13c

Silicone Comorbates, full size tufted and stitched; white cotton fitted; \$1.5 value, 85c

Muslin Bed Sheets, 72x90 inches, seamed center; 2-inch hem 50c kind, at 30c

Quilted Linen, pink, blue and cream; extra heavy 10c and 12 1/2c kinds at 6 1/2c

Urbachea Domets, good heavy quality; 7c kind Friday at 4 1/2c

Fashionable Belts, gold shirred elastic, braided effects, lingerie, leather, etc.; regularly sold for as much as 89c; season-end price 10c

Smart Summer Hats, plain or embroidered, with pearl or metal buckles; regularly sold for as much as 50c; season-end price 15c

Hand Bags, genuine walrus or seal leather; leather lined; riveted frames; regularly sold for as much as \$5.00; season-end price \$2.00

Wicker Outing or Shopping Baskets, 12, 14, 16 or 18 inch; regularly \$1.50; season-end price 94c

German Silver Vanity Purses, regularly 80c; season-end price 44c

Vanity Purses silver plated; four styles regularly 59c; season-end price 19c

Adjustable Bra-lets, richly gold plated; set with brilliant colored stone settings; regularly 69c; season-end price 29c

Wicker Outing or Shopping Baskets, 14, 17 or 18 inch; regularly \$1.89; season-end price \$1.18

Straw Suit Cases, roomy and substantial, 22 to 24 inch; regularly sold for as much as \$3.50; season-end price \$1.94

Cowhide Suit Cases, strongly built; inside shirt pockets; 2 bolts and lock and key; some have straps all around; sold throughout the season for \$3.75; season-end price \$3.64

School Umbrellas, warranted rain proof; steel rods and frames; 24, 22 or 24 inch sizes regularly \$1.00 and \$1.19; season-end price 68c

Men's and Women's Umbrellas, all-ink coverings; exclusive mounted handles; regular prices \$3.95, \$5.50 and \$5.00; season-end price \$2.88

Farisan Hat Pins, some sold regularly for as much as 50c season-end price 10c

Amber Color Hat Pins, very fashionable; some sold regularly for as much as 59c; season-end price 29c

Amber Color Hat Pins, assorted; at least regularly 58c; season-end price 65c

Graduating Head Neckties, high-pitched or cut heads, with patent clasps regularly 95c; season-end price 48c

Emmale One a Garter, mummy, mummy, leather covered; regularly \$2.75; season-end price \$3.00